Supply of Drinking Water and Disposal of Wastes

1071. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 1194 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd August, 1984 and state what are the details of targets achieved for making provision for safe drinking water, sanitary disposal of human and animal wastage in the urban areas in different States as envisaged in the National Health Policy ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : Water Supply and Sanitation is a State subject. It is therefore, for the State Governments to formulate and execute the schemes for Urban Water Supply and Sanitation keeping in view the national objectives.

The achievements in regard to the targets coverage for water supply and sanitation since the beginning of the Decade Programme in the country (from March 81 to March 85) as assessed in a Mid-Decade Review Conference held in October 85 at official level with the States are given in Annrxures I & II. (See Appendix (XXXIX Annexure Nos. 65 and 66).

No targets have been laid down for solid waste Disposal in the Decade Programme.

Water Supply in Jehangirpuri Delhi

1072. DR. MOHD HASHIM KIDWAI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVLEOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Times of India of 12th June, 1986 wherein it has been stated that there was no water supply in Jehangirpuri Colony, New Delhi and that the residence of the colony lived amidst filth squalor and stink and that the Delhi Development Authority which has been entrustde with the task of maintaining the colony has miserably failed in its duty and that the main road and drains and inner roads, lanes are seldom cleaned ; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof, and what steps Government propose to take in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The DDA has reported that water supply in some of the blocks of Jehangirpuri Colony was disrupted on account of bursting of MCD main, as a result of which no water could be supplied to residence through hydrants. While it took the MCD a few days to restore regular water supply for drinking purposes, the water was provided to residents through water tankers arranged by DDA and also by MCD.

Regarding Sanitation and maintenance of the Colony, the DDA is making every effort to provide these services. The problem is aggravated considerably because of dumping of grabage by the residence in lanes instead of depositing it in the grabage provided in the Colony.

The sewerage system has not been provided in the complex yet. The DDA has stated that cleaning of roads S. W. drains is being done by them regularly but fool-Proof sanitation arrangement is not possible till such time the sewerage system is provided.

Out of 20,000 plots divided in 11 Blocks of the colony individual connections for water supply have been given to about 4,000 plots. The work of laying water supply lines